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**From:** Birgfeld, Erin  
**Sent:** Fri 8/14/2015 2:44:56 AM  
**Subject:** RE: Daily Wrap 8/12/2015

Frankly if they can wait until the following week ( week of August 24 )that would be better for all involved.

**From:** Valentine, Julia  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 12, 2015 10:49 PM  
**To:** Birgfeld, Erin  
**Subject:** Re: Daily Wrap 8/12/2015

Hi Erin (I'm up sending out the releases for Colorado)

I will check with the reporter tomorrow for that time.

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**From:** Birgfeld, Erin  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 12, 2015 10:45 PM  
**To:** Valentine, Julia  
**Subject:** Re: Daily Wrap 8/12/2015

Hi Julia,

Re the biofuels journal article. The person who could do this (Karl) is out of the office through next week.

We could set up a call Monday after 3 EDT but that is our only opening. Let me know

what we should do.

Thanks,

Erin

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 12, 2015, at 7:37 PM, Valentine, Julia <[Valentine.Julia@epa.gov](mailto:Valentine.Julia@epa.gov)> wrote:

**Air**

BioFuels Journal [Received 8/11] -- OPEN -- Reporter writing about Efficient Producer Process (EPP) since March is working to finalize. Requesting phone interview with EPA spokesperson to respond to various questions. Requested more specific questions and info from reporter. Deadline not set.

BNA [Received 8/12] -- OPEN -- Post Supreme Court decision on MATS. Request with program. DDL: 8/12.

Global Trade Magazine -- OPEN -- SmartWay interview request. Program provided anticipated Q&A. Will work on scheduling interview. Deadline not known

KVMR-FM [Received 6/23] -- OPEN -- Air quality index. Request with program. DDL: 8/21.

Law 360 [Received 8/12] -- CLOSED 8/12 -- Sent Admin remarks from RFF.

Law 360 and NPR (Atlanta) [Received 8/12] -- CLOSED 8/12 -- Sent reviewed statement on lawsuit SIPs for power plants.

msnbc [Received 8/12] -- CLOSED 8/12 -- Sent reviewed statement in response to lawsuit by kids claiming inaction on climate change has violated their rights.

PBS Atlanta [Received 8/12] -- OPEN -- Question about new school indoor air quality mobile app. Worked on response with program. Sending to OPS for review. Deadline: 8/12

RenewableEnergyWorld Magazine [Received 8/12] -- OPEN -- Follow up questions from aircraft emissions hearing

TakePart [Received 8/10] -- CLOSED 8/11 -- Sent reviewed response on climate change and the Sargassum issue in the Caribbean region.

[Watchdog.org](http://Watchdog.org) [Received 8/12] -- OPEN -- Ozone and SSM. Request with program. DDL: 8/13.

Winston-Salem Journal [Received 8/12] -- OPEN -- Question about new school indoor air quality mobile app. Deadline: 8/12.

### **Clean Power Plan**

Al Jazeera, Bloomberg BNA, Breitbart News, C & G News: CLOSED.

### **Gold King Mine**

ABC, Agri-Pulse Communications Inc, Albuquerque Journal, Al Jazeera, AP, CBS, CNN, Denver Post, E & E, FOX, Gray Television, Hearst, Huffington Post, KMGH, KPBS, KRQE NEWS 13, KUSA-TV, Law 360, NBC, New York Times, Reuters, Telemundo, TIME, [Watchdog.org](http://Watchdog.org): INQUIRIES

### **International and Tribal Affairs**

State Department (Foreign Press Center) [Received 7/22] -- OPEN -- EPA officials from OP, OITA and OW will address 14 foreign reporters on climate change's impact on oceans at the National Press Club on 8/20, 10:30 a.m. to noon.

## **Pesticides**

BNP and Greenwire [Received 8/10]—CLOSED—Asking about 9<sup>th</sup> circuit court opinion. Sent statement.

Untold Stories of the ER [Received 8/11]—CLOSED-- Asking about a chemical used illegally as a diet drug. Found info on the web that points to NIH, not EPA.

Politico [Received 8/11]—OPEN—Asking for open petitions under FIFRA.

Freelancer [Received 8/12]—OPEN- Asking about Enlist Duo. Two researchers are looking at Enlist Duo.

## **Research and Development**

The Lancet [Received 8/3]—CLOSED—Asking about WTC study. Sent statement.

Public Source [Received 7/31]—CLOSED -- EPA efforts to help citizens do their own air quality monitoring.

WAMU Kojo Nnamdi [Received 8/5]—CNN—Understanding local air pollution. Will try to work out something in the future.

Chemical and Engineering News [ Received 8/5]—CLOSED—Citizen Science workshop.

Public Square [Received 8/12]—OPEN—Asking for a contribution to the discussion board on water scarcity and climate.

AP Planner [Received 8/12]—OPEN—Asking if we have a ToxCast Meeting scheduled this year.

## **Solid Waste & Emergency Response**

Cooking Light [Received 8/11] – OPEN – Working on a story about reducing food waste in home kitchens for the November issue.

Ensia [Received 7/22] – CLOSED 8/12 – Questions about pharmaceuticals in the environment. Story will talk about where these drugs are coming from, where they're going in the environment and what effects they may be having. Edited response from OSWER. Received info from OAR and ORD. Sent compiled response to OPS then to reporter. Article running today.

FedTech Magazine [Received 8/12] – OPEN -- Doing a tends story on disaster recovery as a service. Deadline 8/20.

Freelancer/Author [Received 8/12] – OPEN – Requesting info about the costs of Libby cleanup. Sent to program. Deadline: 8/13

Greenwire [Received 7/31] – OPEN – Questions re: a report of possible pesticide/chemical spraying on interior office plants at EPA offices in Crystal City in 2014. Program coordinated with OARM and sent response. George and Laura reviewed. Reporter pinging.

Inside EPA [Received 8/5] – OPEN – Q about comments on guidance for hazardous waste disposal facilities' post-closure period. Program working on it. Deadline extended to 8/11.

Inside EPA [Received 8/7] – OPEN – Requested tps for Barnes Johnson's scheduled talk on 8/11. None available. Reviewing presentation sent by program. No deadline.

Inside EPA [Received 8/12] – OPEN – Asked whether Reggie Chetham is director of OEM. Response finished and reviewed by OMR and OSWER. Deadline: requested

NBC Bay Area Investigative Unit [Received 6/26] – CLOSED 8/12 – Investigative Producer requesting interview about pesticides and other contaminants on military base housing in California. Closing until reporter responds that they need EPA input.

NYT [Received 8/12] -- OPEN -- Science columnist writing for Sunday 8/23 about recycling.  
Deadline 8/18

## **Toxics**

BNA Right-to-know [Received 7/24]—CLOSED—Asking about testing under TSCA and how many tests EPA must do versus companies. Will do interview later.

BNA, CPI, Greenwire, Agri-pulse [Received 8/11]—Asking about circuit court ruling on chlorpyrifos. Sent statement.

CNN [Received 8/12]—OPEN— Morgan Spurlock's producer asking about TSCA and chemical testing. Sent press release on endocrine disruptors DDL: 8/21.

Farm World [Received 7/27]—CLOSED--Wants interview on Green Chemistry. Interview happened.

Green Governance [Received 6/24]—CLOSED—Wants to do a radio program on safer choice. Schedule for late July

KC TV5 [Received 7/15]—CLOSED—Talking about mercury in schools and testing.

Science Magazine [Received 6/24]—CLOSED—Wants an interview on EDSP. Interview happened today. Will have follow up.

Lifetzette [Received 7/30]—CLOSED- Asking about hazards around the home. Will send links to bed bugs and safer choice.

Center for Public Integrity [Received 8/10]—OPEN—Asking to interview Jim Jones on paint strippers on Thursday 8/13.

## **Water**

Circle of Blue [Received 8/3] – OPEN – General Clean Water Act questions; OW response awaiting OPS approval – DDL 8/12

Daily Caller [Received 8/10] – OPEN – Clean Water Rule correspondence; awaiting feedback from reporter. DDL 8/12.

Independent Filmmaker [Received 7/22] – OPEN - Hypoxia Dead Zone; discussing request for multiple interviews with OW/OWM and OPS – DDL Flex.

Inside EPA [Received 8/12] – OPEN – CWA Interpretive rule; in program – DDL 8/13

Real Simple [Received 8/11] - OPEN – Sink-in garbage disposals; awaiting reporter questions – DDL 8/19

The Washington Post [Received 8/12] – OPEN – Manganese and CCL 4; OW response awaiting OPS approval – DDL 8/13

Water World Mag [Received 7/22] – OPEN – Questions on the cooling water intake regulations. Request with program. DDL 9/4